

O Nations, Let Us Now Prepare

Vespers, Sunday before the Nativity of Christ
Stichera I at "O Lord, I have cried"
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Simply

(All)1.O na-tions, let us now pre-prepare, And lay _____ a -
side all earth-ly care, To cel - e - brate the birth of -
Christ With all _____ the wor - thy, good, _____ and wise 2.Our
minds lift up to Beth-le-hem, And with _____ our con - sciences as -
cend, May we with - in our hearts be - hold, The Vir - gin

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com - ing through the cold. 3.For Ma-ry now draws near the cave, To

give birth there to Him who saves; Our God and ho - ly

Lord of all, The migh - ty Sa - vior of our souls.

4.And

Jo-seph all these things beheld, But thought a hu - man child he

held, Not know - ing what would lat - er come, Through

5.But then, in lat - er
this the Vir - gin Ma - ry's Son

years a-maz'd Good Jo - seph, through His works of grace, Knew

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